UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S. L.S.T. # 22 Monday (Day) 20 (Date) December (Month), 19 43

Zone description -11

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	08° 20 S	08° 38.9 S	08° 38.9 S
Long.	148° 17.5 E	148° 26.5 E	148° 26.5 E

OPERATIONAL REMARKS
(WAR DIARY)

0000-0400
Underway in task force proceeding from Cape Cretin, New Guinea astern of LST # 18 on base course 169° T. Average R.P.M.'s 248.9

R. S. Shepard
R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

0400-0800
Underway as before. 0455: Changed course to 110° T. 0535: Changed course to 154° T. Average R.P.M.'s 246.7

C. C. Norman
C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

0800-1200
Underway as before. 0830: Inspected magazines and all smokeless powder samples; condition dry and normal. 1007: Abeam Buna 4 mile marker to starboard one half (½) mile distant. 1040: Base course changed to 155° T. 1115: Base course 245° T. 1139: Maneuvering at various speeds and on various courses to anchor in Buna Roads, New Guinea. 1158: Anchored in Buna Roads, New Guinea in twenty fathoms of water to fifty fathoms of chain by the bow anchor. Bearings Beach Marker 256° T., Strip Point Marker 215° T., Cape Endaiadere 182° T. Average R.P.M.'s 186.3

J. L. McManus
J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

1200-1600
Anchored as before.

R. S. Shepard
R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

1600-2000
Anchored as before. 1935: U.S.S. A.Pc 12 delivered to us 1 generator idler gear and 1 ramp winch shaft.

C. C. Norman
C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

2000-2400
Anchored as before.

E. L. Arthur
E. L. Arthur, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

Approved:
Gordon S. Reep, Lieut. (jg)
Commanding Officer.

Examined:
E. L. Rew Lt (jg)
Navigator.

UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S. L.S.T. # 22 Tuesday (Day) 21 (Date) December (Month), 19 43

Zone description -11

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	08° 38.9 S	08° 38.9 S	08° 47.3 S
Long.	148° 26.5 E	148° 26.5 E	148° 31 E

OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAR DIARY)

0000-0400

Anchored as before in Buna Roads, New Guinea in twenty (20) fathoms of water to sixty (60) fathoms of chain on bow anchor. Bearings; Beach Marker 215° T; Cape Endaiadere 182° T; Strip Point Beach Marker 215° T.

R. S. Shepard

R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

0400-0800

Anchored as before.

W. Dalpit, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

0800-1200

Anchored as before. 0815: Inspected magazines and all smokeless powder samples; condition dry and normal. 1155: DUFRENE, Nolan P. (612-667) F.3c (R) departed from this vessel for temporary duty aboard LST 456. This temporary duty to consist of caring for the L.C.V., hull registry #C11439, said L.C.V. accompanying DUFRENE, Nolan P. (612-667) F.3c (R).

J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

1200-1600

Anchored as before. 1240: Preparations made for getting underway. 1320: Underway proceeding to new anchorage. 1353: Anchored in Buna Roads, New Guinea in twenty-three (23) fathoms of water to seventy-five (75) fathoms of chain on bow anchor. Bearings; Beach Marker 267° T; Cape Sudest 199° T; Oro Bay 180° T.

R. S. Shepard

R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

1600-2000

Anchored as before.

C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

2000-2400

Anchored as before.

E. L. Arthur, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

Approved:

Gordon T. Reeves, Jr. (USN)

Commanding Officer.

Examined:

E. L. Rue Lt. (jg)

Navigator

UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S. L.S.T. # 22 Wednesday (Day) 22 (Date) December (Month), 1943

Zone description .....

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	08° 47.3 S	08° 47.3 S	08° 45 S
Long.	148° 31 E	148° 31 E	148° 28.2 E

OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAR DIARY)

0000-0400

Anchored in Buna Roads, New Guinea in twenty-three (23) fathoms water to seventy-five (75) fathoms chain on the bow anchor. Bearings Cape Sudest 312°T; Oro Bay 196½°T; Cape Endaiadere 317° T.

E. L. Rew

E. L. Rew, Lieut. (jg) USCG

0400-0800

Anchored as before.

C. C. Norman

C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

0800-1200

Anchored as before. 0830: Inspected magazines and all smokeless powder samples; condition dry and normal. 1136: Far shore army L.C.V.484.6 alongside with six army enlisted personnel, who came aboard for duty.

J. L. McManus

J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

1200-1600

Anchored as before. 1315: Preparations to get underway. 1401: Underway proceeding to new anchorage. 1420: Secured Army L.C.V. 484.6 on port davit. 1525: Anchored off Cape Sudest in twenty-one (21) feet of water to fifteen (15) fathoms of chain on bow anchor. 1532: Underway preparing to anchor by stern anchor. 1545: Anchored in Cape Sudest in twenty-one (21) feet of water to one hundred (100) feet of cable on stern anchor. Bearings: Jetty "A" 321° T; Jetty "B" 212° T; Cape Sudest 341° T;. 1555: Opened bow doors in preparation of taking ammunition aboard.

R. S. Shepard

R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

1600-2000

Anchored as before. 1615: Commenced loading ammunition.

C. C. Norman

C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

2000-2400

Anchored as before. 2025: Completed loading ammunition on main deck. 2215: *1st. Lieut. J. B. Justice, USMC, reported aboard for transportation. Night Bearings; Lights at 173° T; 228° T; and 326°T. *2215: Captain, Eldon M. Knox, 0389646, Field Artillery, Headquarters 6th Army.

J. L. McManus

J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

Approved:

Gordon A. Libby, Lieut (R)

Examined:

E. L. Rew Lt (jg)

UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S. L.S.T. # 22 Thursday (Day) 23 (Date) December (Month), 19 43

Zone description .....

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	08° 45 S	08° 45 S	08° 19.2 S
Long.	148° 28.2 E	148° 28.2 E	148° 17.8 E

OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAR DIARY)

0000-0400

Anchored in Cape Sudest in twenty-one (21) feet of water to one hundred (100) feet of cable on stern anchor. Bearings: Jetty "A" 321° T; Jetty "B" 212° T; Cape Sudest 341° T.

R. S. Shepard

R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

0400-0800

Anchored as before. 0545: Commenced preparations for getting underway. 0615: Secured the engines.

C. C. Norman

C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

0800-1200

Anchored as before. 0830: Inspected magazines and all smokeless powder samples; conditions dry and normal.

J. L. McManus

J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

1200-1600

Anchored as before. 1435: Preparations for getting underway. 1445: KRON, Jack (607-598) Sea 2c transferred to LST 206 as per letter Commander, Group 21, LST Flotilla 7 dated 8 December, 1943, File CG-783-701. 1500: Completed taking on ordnance supplies to the extent of ninety (90) tons. 1510: Draft ten (10) feet aft and three (3) feet six (6) inches forward. 1517: Underway from anchorage proceeding at various courses and speeds preparing to form task unit proceeding to Cape Cretin, New Guinea. Average R.P.M.'s 119.0

R. S. Shepard

R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

1600-2000

Underway as before. 1635: Took station one two in task unit 76.2.2. comprised of LST's 452,22, 204, 454, 456, 465. 1700: Changed course to 300°T. 1710: Changed course to 310° T. 1720: Escort vessels; 1DD, 2PC's, 1YMS. 1730: Ships right to course 040° T. 1740: Ships left to course 310° T. 1745: Changed course to 344° T. 1804: Changed course to 340° T. 1829: Margaret Shoal abeam on our port hand at a distance of one thousand (1000) yards. 1830: Changed course to 333° T. 1855: Changed course to 330° T. Average R.P.M.'s 234.3

C. C. Norman

C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

2000-2400

Underway as before. 2153: Base course changed to 343° T. Average R.P.M.'s 248.3

J. L. McManus

J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

Approved:

Gordon T. Hedges Lieut USCG

Commanding Officer.

Examined:

E. L. Rew, Lt (jg)

Navigator.

UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S. L.S.T. # 22 Friday (Day) 24 (Date) December (Month), 1943

Zone description -11

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	06° 39.8 S	06° 39.8 S	06° 39.8 S
Long.	147° 51.7 E	147° 51.7 E	147° 51.7 E

OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAR DIARY)

0000-0400

Underway in task unit 72.2.2 proceeding to Cape Cretin, New Guinea on base course 343° T., our position astern of LST # 452. Average R.P.M.'s 248.8

R. S. Shepard

R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

0400-0800

Underway as before. 0430: Reduced speed to one-third. 0515: Increased speed to two thirds. 0615: Began maneuvering various courses and speeds. 0740: Beached at Cape Cretin, New Guinea, in slip number four(4) with two hundred and seventy-five (275) feet of cable to the stern anchor. Average R.P.M.'s 148.5

C. C. Norman

C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

0800-1200

Beached as before. 0805: Commenced unloading cargo. 0810: Commenced loading main deck. 0815: Inspected magazines and all smokeless powder samples; condition dry and normal. 0900: Lt. J. B. Justice, USMC; Capt. D. Knox, USA, aboard for transportation, departed this vessel. 1015: Completed unloading cargo.

J. L. McManus

J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

1200-1600

Beached as before. 1340: HOWORTH, Edward J. (410-81-21) PhMlc USNR, departed this unit for temporary duty aboard LST 457 by authority of letter dated 24 December, 1943 from Commander LST, Group 20, file No. P16-4 .

R. S. Shepard

R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

1600-2000

Beached as before. 1645: Two (2) Officers and nine (9) enlisted men U.S. Marine Corps came aboard for transportation.

C. C. Norman

C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

2000-2400

Beached as before. 2012: Alarm sounded for general quarters due to alert. Secured from general quarters.
/2019:

E. L. Arthur

E. L. Arthur, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

Approved:

Gordon H. Keep, Jr.

Commanding Officer.

Examined:

E. L. Rew Jr.

Navigator.

UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S. L.S.T. # 22 Saturday (Day) 25 (Date) December (Month), 1943

Zone description -11

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	06° 39.8 S	06° 39.8 S	06° 39.6 S
Long.	147° 51.7 E	147° 51.7 E	147° 53.6 E

OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAR DIARY)

0000-0400

Beached at Cape Cretin, New Guinea, in slip number 4, with 275 feet of cable to the stern anchor.

E. L. Rew

E. L. Rew, Lieut. (jg) USCG

0400-0800

Beached as before. 0515: Alarm sounded for general quarters. 0542: Secured from general quarters. No attack.

C. C. Norman

C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

0800-1200

Beached as before. 0815: Inspected magazines and all smokeless powder samples condition dry and normal. Tested sprinkling system, found to be in good condition. 0930: Completed loading cargo, consisting of 225 tons of stores and equipment and 400 tons vehicles. 1024: One hundred twenty-nine (129) kapok life-jackets turned over to L.S.T. #454 by order of Flotilla Commander. 1030: Combat personnel consisting of three hundred and seventy-one (371) enlisted personnel USMC and twenty-one (21) officers, twenty (20) of the USMC and one (1) Navy, for transportation.

J. L. McManus

J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

1200-1600

Beached as before. 1220: Preparations to get underway. 1300: Retracted from beach, underway proceeding to anchorage. 1320: Anchored in twenty (20) fathoms of water to forty-five (45) fathoms of chain on bow anchor. Bearings Megin Island 141° T; Mussing Island 063° and Cape Cretin 053° T.

R. S. Shepard

R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

1600-2000

Anchored as before. 1700: Underway proceeding to new anchorage. 1740: Anchored in sixty-seven (67) fathoms of water to seventy-five (75) fathoms of chain on the bow anchor. Bearings.: Right tangent Megin Island 239°; Right tangent Cape Cretin 015° T; Right tangent Nussing Island 054° T. 1920: Began preparations for getting underway. 1927: Underway in task unit 76.2.2 which consists of LST's 452 (flag) 457, 22, 26, 454, 456, and 465. Escorts; Three destroyers, HMAS Reserve is in our company. 1955: Base course made 050° T. and speed of advance nine (9) knots. Average R.P.M.'s 186.7

C. C. Norman

C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

2000-2400

Underway as before. Base course to 354° T. 2224: Base course to 324° T. Average R.P.M.'s 245

J. L. McManus

J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

Approved:

Gordon A. Hilscher Lieut (jg)

Commanding Officer.

Examined:

E. L. Rew Lt. (jg)

Navigator.

UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S. L.S.T. # 22 Sunday (Day) 26 (Date) December (Month), 1943

Zone description -11

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	05° 22 S	05° 19.5 S	05° 20 S
Long.	147° 58 E	148° 22 E	148° 05 E

OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAR DIARY)

0000-0400

Underway in task unit on course 324° T; our position astern of LST 457 in open order column. 0245: Changed course to 000°T. Average R.P.M.'s 257.7

R. S. Shepard

R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

0400-0800

Underway as before. 0527: Changed course to 054° T. 0610: Changed course to 089° T. *0703: Changed course to 083° T. *0615: Went to general quarters stations. 0715: Secured from general quarters, and went in to condition II-M. 0722: Both engines ahead two thirds. 0800: Changed course to 075° T. Average R.P.M.'s 239.5

C. C. Norman

C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

0800-1200

Underway as before. 0830: Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Condition dry and normal. 0900: General quarters. 0936: Secured from general quarters. 1011: Base course to 090° T. 1034: All engines ahead two-thirds. 1048: Base course changed to 105° T. 1111: Base course changed to 115°T. 1123: All engines ahead standard. 1137: All engines ahead full. Average R.P.M.'s 207.8

J. L. McManus

J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

1200-1600

Underway as before. 1205: Base course to 110°T. 1215: Maneuvering at various courses and speeds conforming to channel proceeding to beach at Cape Gloucester, New Britain. 1345: Anchored by stern anchor off Cape Gloucester. 1405: Underway proceeding to beach. *1410: All hands at station for beaching. 1418: Beached in slip #3 Cape Gloucester, New Britain. 1428: Commenced unloading of cargo. 1450: Enemy planes approaching, opened fire. 1500: Ceased firing. Expended 141 rounds 20 MM; 6 rounds 40 MM, 4 rounds 3"50. 1515: Three hundred seventy-one (371) troops and twenty-three (23) officers of U.S.M.C. disembarked. Average R.P.M.'s 211.2 *1400: Delivered the army LCV 484.6 with crew of 6 army enlisted personnel to far shore

R. S. Shepard

R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

1600-2000

Beached as before. 1810: Completed unloading cargo with the exception of approximately ten (10) tons. 1824: Retracted from the beach, and began steering various courses and speeds. 1910: Secured from general quarters and went into condition II-M 1915: Base course made 275° T, speed full. 1930: Took station two two in task unit. LST 466 joined this unit. Average R.P.M.'s 262.6

C. C. Norman

C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

2000-2400

Underway as before. 2116: Base course changed to 269° T. Average R.P.M.'s 260.3

J. L. McManus

J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

Approved:

Gordon H. Keep, Lieut. USCGR

Commanding Officer.

Examined:

E. L. Rew Lt (jg)

Navigator.

UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S. L.S.T. # 22 Monday (Day) 27 (Date) December (Month), 1943

Zone description .....

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	06° 37 S	07° 16 S	08° 03.5 S
Long.	148° 05 E	141° 37 E	148° 07.8 E

OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAR DIARY)

0000-0400

Underway as before in task unit on course 269° T. proceeding from Cape Gloucester, New Britain to Cape Sudest, New Guinea. Our position astern of LST 452 in open order column. 0000: Changed course to 229° T. 0055: Changed course to 188° T. 0100: Changed course to 180° T. 0320: Changed course to 142° T. Average R.P.M.'s 263.9

R. S. Shepard

R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

0400-0800

Underway as before. 0720: Changed course to 174° T. Average R.P.M.'s 263.2

C. C. Norman

C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

0800-1200

Underway as before. 0927: Base course changed to 213° T. Average R.P.M.'s 245.5

J. L. McManus

J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

1200-1600

Underway as before. 1348: Changed course to 208° T. 1430: Inspected magazines and all smokeless powders; condition dry and normal. Maximum 95 minimum 85. 1432: Changed course to 163° T. 1437: Changed course to 132° T. Average R.P.M.'s 251

R. S. Shepard

R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

1600-2000

Underway as before. 1830: Commander Flotilla Seven relieved Commander Group Twenty of Command, 1840: Changed course to 162° T. Reduced speed to two-thirds ahead. 1955: Right hand column formed astern of left hand column. Average R.P.M.'s 247.2

C. C. Norman

C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

2000-2400

Underway as before. 2000: Base course not given but course altered to 148° T. 2010: All engines standard ahead. 2240: Flashing (4 second) white light sighted bearing 137° T. approximately nine (9) miles distant. 2327: Course altered to 140° T. 2340: Maneuvering off Buna Roads. 2357: All engines ahead two-thirds (2/3). 2358: All engines ahead one-third. 2400: All engines stopped. Average R.P.M.'s 246.4

J. L. McManus

J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

Approved:

Commanding Officer

Examined:

E. L. Rew Lt(jg)

Navigator

UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S. L.S.T. # 22 Tuesday (Day) 28 (Date) December (Month), 1943

Zone description -11

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	08° 41.4 S	08° 41.4 S	08° 41.4 S
Long.	148° 34.2 E	148° 34.2 E	148° 34.2 E

OPERATIONAL REMARKS
(WAR DIARY)

0000-0400

Underway as before proceeding to anchor off Buna Roads, New Guinea. 0004: Anchored off Buna Roads, New Guinea in twenty-one (21) fathoms of water to seventy-five (75) fathoms of chain on the bow anchor. Bearings: Light 182° T; Cluster of lights 225° T; Flashing light 325° T.

R. S. Shepard
R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

0400-0800

Anchored as before. 0415: Commenced preparations for getting underway. 0502: Underway in single column formation in company with LST's 466, 452, 26, 457, 454, 465 and 456. 0615: Anchored off Cape Sudest, New Guinea, in twenty-five (25) fathoms of water, to seventy-five (75) fathoms of chain on the bow anchor. Bearings: Cape Sudest 243° T; Oro Bay 202° T; Cape Endaiadire 274° T.

C. C. Norman
C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

0800-1200

Anchored as before. 0815: Inspected magazines and all smokeless powder samples; condition dry and normal.

J. L. McManus
J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

1200-1600

Anchored as before.

R. S. Shepard
R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

1600-2000

Anchored as before. 1835: Our L.C.V. which had been temporarily stationed at Buna, New Guinea, returned to the ship, in charge of Dufrene, Nolan P. (612-667) F.3c.

C. C. Norman
C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

2000-2400

Anchored as before.

E. L. Arthur
E. L. Arthur, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

Approved:

Gordon T. Reay, Lieut. (jg) USCGR
Commanding Officer

Examined:

E. L. Rew Lt (jg)
Navigator

UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S. L.S.T. # 22 Wednesday (Day) 29 (Date) December (Month), 1943

Zone description -11

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	08° 41.5 S	08° 45.6 S	09° 03 S
Long.	148° 34.2 E	148° 28.6 E	148° 22 E

OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAR DIARY)

0000-0400

Anchored off Cape Sudest, New Guinea in twenty-five (25.) fathoms of water to seventy-five (75) fathoms chain on the bow anchor, on the following bearings: Cape Sudest 243° T; Oro Bay 202° T; Cape Endaiadere 274° T.

E. L. Rew

E. L. Rew, Lieut. (jg) USCG

0400-0800

Anchored as before.

C. C. Norman

C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

0800-1200

Anchored as before. 0820: Inspected magazines and all smokeless powder samples; condition dry and normal. 0832: Commenced preparations for getting underway. 0833: LST 454 returned 129 life-jackets. 0855: Underway, proceeding to anchorage south of jetty "Baker", Cape Sudest. 1000: Anchored south of "B" jetty; Cape Sudest, New Guinea; in 5 fathoms of water to 15 fathoms of chain by the bow anchor bearings; Cape Sudest 328° T; Beach marker 225° T; Garbage jetty 188.5° T. 1122: Commenced unloading cargo.

J. L. McManus

J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

1200-1600

Anchored as before. 1330: Preparations for getting underway. 1340: Completed unloading cargo. 1352: Underway in task force proceeding to Goodenough Island. 1512: Formed open order column. 1540: Took position astern of LST 454. Task force composition: #452, 466, 170, 454, 22, 456, Average R.P.M.'s 269.8

R. S. Shepard

R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

1600-2000

Underway as before. 1744: Changed course to 090° T. 1825: Changed course to 088° T. 1840: Changed course to 090° T. 1910: Section two formed astern of section one. 1930: Changed course to 124° T. 1955: Changed course to 173° T. Average R.P.M.'s 247.2

C. C. Norman

C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

2000-2400

Underway as before. 2018: Sighted Ham Reef light buoy bearing 144° T 3 miles distant. 2035: Base couse 128° T. Tufi Range bearing 308° T. Average R.P.M.'s 250.4

J. L. McManus

J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

Approved:

Gordon F. Keeney, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

Commanding Officer.

Examined:

E. L. Rew Lt (jg)

Navigator.

UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S. L.S.T. # 22 Thursday (Day) 30 (Date) December (Month), 1943

Zone description -11

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	09° 23 S	09° 22.3 S	09° 22.5 S
Long.	150° 23 E	150° 21.7 E	150° 21.7 E

OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAR DIARY)

0000-0400

Underway in task force proceeding to Goodenough Island on base course 128° T, our position astern of LST 454. 0207: Changed course to 091° T. Average R.P.M.'s 207.8

R. S. Shepard
R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

0400-0800

Underway as before. 0430: Changed course to 020° T. 0515: Changed course to 005° T. 0540: LST 452 run aground, and we lay to, awaiting instructions. 0645: Formed single column in following order; LST's 454, 22 and 170 and proceeded towards our destination. Average R.P.M.'s 165.7

C. C. Norman
C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

0800-1200

Underway as before. 0802: Base course changed 307° T. 0803: Base course to 312° T. 0805: Proceeding independently on signal from LST 454. 0806: Manuevering to beach. 0815: Inspected magazines and all smokeless powder samples, condition dry and normal. 0850: Let go stern anchor. 0851: Beached slip #7, Goodenough Island. 0948: Secured main engines. 0955: Commenced loading cargo. 1010: Commenced preparations to get underway, on order from Captain Scruggs; in order to stand by the LST 452 which was aground. 1027: Retracted from beach. 1045: Order countermanded proceed to re-beach. 1051: Let go atern anchor. 1055: Beached in slip #7 Goodenough Island. 1122: Commenced loading cargo. Average R.P.M.'s 124.8

J. L. McManus
J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

1200-1600

Beached as before.

R. S. Shepard
R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

1600-2000

Beached as before. 1800: Seventeen (17) officers and three hundred and eight (380) enlisted personnel of U.S. Army reported aboard for transportation.

C. C. Norman
C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

2000-2400

Beached as before.

J. L. McManus
J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

Approved:

Gordon T. Hidecker Lieut (R)
Commanding Officer.

Examined:

E. L. Rew Lt (jg)
Navigator.

	1200	2000
S	09° 31.5 S	08° 55.4 S
E	149° 55.5 E	148° 55.7 E

OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAR DIARY)

eli Beli, Goodenough Island, in slip # 7 to 400 feet of cable or. 0325: Completed loading cargo consisting of, 125 vehicles support); 125 tons of ammunition, supplies and equipment.

E. L. Rew

E. L. Rew, Lieut. (jg) USCG

ached as before. 0650: Commenced preparations for getting underway. 0720: ged bow doors while attempting to retract, extent of which, is not known present. 0735: Retracted. 0752: Entered Moresby Strait.

C. C. Norman

C. C. Norman, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

0800-1200

Underway as before. 0815: Inspected magazines and all smokeless powder samples; conditions dry and normal. 0831: Port Bow door found to be damaged upon retraction from beach; screw, key and rack was the extent of damage. Door closed manually. 0831: Full speed; course 178° T. 0850: Bow doors dogged and secured. 0850: Flank speed ahead. 0917: Manuevering on various courses to resume position in task unit. Courses; 262°T; 275° T; at 1050: 1053: 275° T; 1100: 285° T. 1105: 295°T. 1118: 300°T. 1136: Assumed task unit course of 307°T. Average R.P.M.'s 281.3

J. L. McManus

J. L. McManus, Lieut. (jg) USCGR

1200-1600

Underway as before. 1450: Changed course to 300° T. 1457: Changed course to 2800 T. 1512: Formed single column open order formation. 1525: Changed course to 308° T. Average R.P.M.'s 257.3.

R. S. Shepard

R. S. Shepard, Ensign, USCGR

1600-2000

Underway as before. 1630: Changed course 350° T. 1710: Changed course to 301° T. 1742: Changed course to 275°T. 1930: Changed course to 307° T. Average R.P.M.'s 256.8

C. C. Norman

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2000-2400

Underway as before. 2215: Both engines ahead 2/3. 2215: Both engines ahead 1/3. 2216: All engines stopped laying to off Cape Sudest to receive mail from A.P.O. 17. 2250: 2250: Mail delivered by small boat. 2252: All engines ahead 1/3.2253: All engines ahead 2/3. 2255: All engines ahead standard Base course 307° T. Average R.P.M.'s 216.3

J. L. McManus

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Approved:

Gordon F. Rice, Jr. Lieut (R)

Commanding Officer.

Examined:

E. L. Rew Lt. (jg)

Navigator.